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**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

**METHOD FOR ABSTRACTING A PKI KEYSTORE ON TOP OF CDSA**

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A cryptographic system for use in a data processing system. The system includes a security layer and a plurality of cryptographic routines, wherein the plurality of cryptographic routines are accessed through the security layer. Also included is a keystore and a keystore application program interface layer coupled to the security layer. The keystore application program interface layer receives a call from an application to perform a cryptographic operation, identifies a routine, calls the routine to perform the cryptographic operation, receives a result from the routine, and returns the result to the application.

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